

Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Meeting Log
Play Yard/NFS Crib Ad Hoc Warnings Task Group

SUBJECT: ASTM F15.18 Task Group (TG) Meeting on Play Yard/NFS Crib Ad Hoc Warnings

LOCATION: Teleconference

DATE: August 29, 2022, 1:00pm, ET

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Frederick deGrano (ESMC)

COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Frederick deGrano (ESMC), Timothy Smith (ESHF), Suad Wanna-Nakamura (HSPP)

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Jennifer King, Task Group Lead. Contact ASTM for the attendee list.

MEETING SUMMARY:

Ms. King started the meeting by summarizing proposed updates to the ASTM F406 standard for non-full-size baby cribs/play yards to address negative votes received in a previous ballot related to warning requirements about which mattresses/pads can be used with the product. The proposed warning requirements provide manufacturers the option of requiring using only the mattress/pad provided with the product by the manufacturer or allowing aftermarket mattress/pads that specifically identify the brand and model number of the crib or play yard. The task group agreed that replacement mattresses would need to be available to consumers even if the manufacturer determined that the one that originally came with the product was the only acceptable design. Thus, in those cases where the manufacturer only allows mattress/pads from the manufacturer, the warning must direct the consumer to contact the manufacturer for a replacement. The task group extensively discussed the language of the requirements to improve clarity to the consumer.

The task group then discussed updates to warning requirements to delete the reference to crib bumpers in the statement instructing consumers to remove these products when the child is able to pull to a standing position. The Safe Sleep for Babies Act of 2021 prohibits the manufacture and sale of crib bumpers. The task group agreed to this change but concluded that the reference to crib bumpers should be replaced with mesh liners, which are not banned and would pose a similar climb-out hazard.

As a path forward, the task group agreed that requirements for warning labels for mattress/pad use shall go to ballot, and the task group will continue working on the additional updates to the warning label requirements that were not discussed in a future meeting.